



Senate Republican High-Tech Task Force

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High-Tech in 2000

Senate GOP Task Force Agenda

The GOP High-Tech Task Force supports the New Economy and encourages invention, innovation and investment.

Top six for the 2nd session:

1. S. 2277 China Trade Bill (Roth)
2. S. 761 Electronic Signatures in Global and National Commerce Act (Abraham)
3. S. 2045 H1-B Visas (Hatch/Abraham)
4. S. 1712 Export Administration Act (Gramm/Enzi)
5. S. 296 Federal Research Investment Act (Frist)
6. S. 2255 Internet Tax Moratorium (McCain)

Also on the High-Tech "to do" list:

- ☐ Critical Infrastructure Protection/Cybersafety
- ☐ Oversight of FASB (Financial Accounting Standards Board); allowing "pooling of interests" method of accounting
- ☐ Oversight of privacy related issues
- ☐ Development of education training programs
- ☐ Oversight to ensure the Patent and Trademark Office has tools necessary to handle a 21st century workload
- ☐ S. 97 Children's Internet Protection Act (McCain)
- ☐ S. 635 Printed Circuit Investment Act of 1999 (Mack)
- ☐ S. 1150 Semiconductor Equipment Investment Act of 1999 (Hatch)
- ☐ S. 1241 Family Friendly Workplace Act (Ashcraft/Hutchison)
- ☐ S. 344 Independent Contractor Relief Act (Bond)
- ☐ S. 2046 Next Generation Internet 2000 Act (Frist)
- ☐ S. 2067 America's Math and Science Excellence Act (Frist)
- ☐ S. 542 New Millennium Classrooms Act (Abraham/Wyden)

Task Force accomplishments this Congress:

- ✓ S. 96 Y2K Rights and Responsibilities Act (McCain/Wyden) H.R. 775, signed into law 7/20/99.
- ✓ S. 1258 Patent Fee Integrity and Innovation Protection Act (Hatch), passed Senate 07/12/99, signed into law 8/05/99.
- ✓ S. 680 R&D Tax Credit Extension (Hatch/Mack/Baucus), passed Senate 07/30/99, modified in H.R. 1180, signed into law.
- ✓ S. 1798 American Investors Protection Act of 1999 (Hatch), passed Senate 11/19/99 as part of H.R. 3194, signed into law.
- ✓ S. 1255 Anti-Cybersquatting Consumer Protection Act (Abraham/Toricelli/Hatch), passed Senate as part of H.R. 3194, signed into law.
- ✓ S. 1257 Digital Theft Deterrence and Copyright Damages Improvement Act (Hatch), passed Senate 07/12/99, signed into law.